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**From:** Debra Walsh [Walsh.DebraLNDU@usepa.onmicrosoft.com]  
**Sent:** 11/15/2012 7:41:54 PM  
**To:** Cogliano, Vincent [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=51f2736376ac4d32bad2fe7cfef2886b-Cogliano, Vincent]  
**Subject:** Fw: new information re: Johua Hamilton and Cr6  
**Attachments:** LisaJacksonJWHresponse100511.pdf

It looks like Norm included you on the email.

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----- Forwarded by Debra Walsh/RTP/USEPA/US on 11/15/2012 02:41 PM -----

**From:** Norman Birchfield/DC/USEPA/US  
**To:** Debra Walsh/RTP/USEPA/US@EPA  
**Cc:** Lynn Flowers/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, Vincent Cogliano/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, Ted Berner/DC/USEPA/US@EPA  
**Date:** 11/15/2012 11:32 AM  
**Subject:** new information re: Johua Hamilton and Cr6

ERG just forwarded this on. Joh Hamilton wrote Lisa Jackson regarding Cr and his role on the panel....

----- Forwarded by Norman Birchfield/DC/USEPA/US on 11/15/2012 11:31 AM -----

**From:** "Jan Connery" <Jan.Connery@erg.com>  
**To:** Norman Birchfield/DC/USEPA/US@EPA  
**Date:** 11/15/2012 11:20 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: response to NRDC letter

Norman,

Per your most recent request, I can provide two additional pieces of information. I have forwarded an email from Josh Hamilton in which he provides his response (a letter to Lisa Jackson) to an NRDC letter (which I have not seen).

I also have the following notes that I made on May 2, 2011, of the content of his call to me:

He called me to let me know of a recent development, in case we regarded it as a conflict of interest.

He has agreed to appear at a public meeting in a town in California to comment on the health effects of chromium. His appearance there is being paid for by PG&E, the defendant in the Erin Brokovitch story. These meetings are held periodically in the local area as relevant studies are completed and the results become available. They to help explain the results to the community and answer their questions.

He has done this type of work for PG&E before (e.g., on a coal tar issue). The meeting will not take place for at least a month. EPA and CalEPA may also be speaking at the meeting, as they have done for past meetings.

This is not part of any litigation, it is just contextual, to convey study results and help people understand what they mean. He will not be performing any other work for PG&E prior to the meeting. He just needs to be there and speak. He will not be reviewing or commenting on any document.

----- Message from Joshua Hamilton <jhamilton@mbi.edu> on Thu, 13 Oct 2011 08:36:18 -0400 -----

**To:** Jan Connery <Jan.Connery@erg.com>

**Subject:** response to NRDC letter

Dear Jan -

You are no doubt aware of the letter sent from NRDC to EPA Administrator Jackson regarding potential COI issues in the chromium review process and specific allegations against of me, Steve Patierno, and ERG.

There are numerous misstatements and falsehoods, but I was of course particularly concerned about the allegations against me and my reputation and so I felt it was important to respond to those allegations. For your information, enclosed please find a copy of a response letter from me to Administrator Jackson.

Best, Josh

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